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Introduction

Claim 1 is pending. The Examiner has objected to the drawings under 37 DFR 1.83(a), stating that the drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Secondly, The Examiner has rejected Claim 1 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Furthermore, the Examiner has rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter and has rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent NO. 7,010,522 to Jagadish .

In response Applicant has cancelled Claim 1 and included new claim 2.

Drawings

The Examiner has objected to the drawings under 37 DFR 1.83(a), stating that the drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. In response, Applicant has cancelled claim and included new claim 2. In view of the cancellation of Claim 1, Applicant submits that Examiners objection to the drawings is now moot. Reconsideration of this application in view of the cancellation and inclusion of new claim 2 is requested.

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Section 112 Rejections

The Examiner has rejected Claim 1 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In response, Applicant has cancelled claim and included new claim 2. In view of the cancellation of Claim 1, Applicant submits that Examiners rejection under 35 USC §112, second paragraph is now moot. Reconsideration of this application in view of the cancellation and inclusion of new claim 2 is requested.

Section 101 Rejections

The Examiner has rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter. In response, Applicant has cancelled claim and included new claim 2. In view of the cancellation of Claim 1, Applicant submits that Examiners rejection under 35 USC §101 is now moot. Reconsideration of this application in view of the cancellation and inclusion of new claim 2 is requested.

Section 102 Rejections

The Examiner has rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent NO. 7,010,522 to Jagadish. In response, Applicant has cancelled claim and included new claim 2. In view of the cancellation of Claim 1, Applicant submits that Examiners rejection under 35 USC §102(e) is now moot. Reconsideration of this application in view of the cancellation and inclusion of new Claim 2 is requested.

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In view of the cancellation of claim 1 and the inclusion of new Claim 2, Applicants respectfully submits that this application is believed to be in condition for examination. Reconsideration thereon is therefore respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments concerning the above, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number given below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. Such authorization includes authorization to charge fees for extensions of time, if any, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 and also should be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in this reply or any future reply pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

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